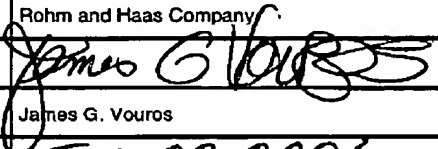


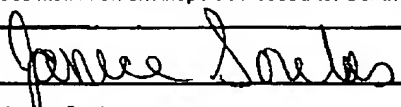
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Applicants submit the following response to the Restriction Requirement mailed  
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Applicants have been required to restrict the present application to one of  
Groups I-IV. Applicants elect Group I, claims 6-11, withdraw claims 12-16 as they are  
directed to non-elected claims, and cancel claim 17. Applicants believe that the claims  
should be properly rejoined upon allowance of the elected claims.